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FOR PROCESSING INFORMATION	:	
DATA AND MANAGEMENT	)	
INFORMATION THEREOF	:	April 3, 2006

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## COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Applicant agrees with the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance except that that statement asserts that the recording medium management information "consists of" initialization time-and-date information, creation time-and-date information and update time-and-date information. None of the independent claims recites that the recording medium management information "consists of" those three types of information; rather, all four recite that the recording medium management information "includ[es]" those three types of information, and thus permit additional types of information to be included in the recording medium management information, as well.

Since the filing of this paper was necessitated by the Patent and Trademark

Office, Applicant submits that his Patent Term Adjustment should not be reduced as a result of
the filing of this paper.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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